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The Cook Lab

Come learn about what some Marquette students are doing at the Cook Lab! Learn about how organisms perceive the world, communicate with others, and organize to affect change in their environment. From genes to groups, they study how animals balance social and ecological information to determine collective action. All this through the study of bees!

Monday, October 12

Time: 10:00-11:15 am

Presenter: Chelsea Cook

Course Fee: \$10.00

NEW CLASSES

Two Minds Without a Single Thought: The Legacy of Laurel and Hardy

Step back into the golden age of classic cinema and rediscover the timeless genius of Stan Laurel and Oliver Hardy—the most beloved comedy duo in screen history. Famous for their flawless slapstick timing, gentle absurdity, and unforgettable "tit-for-tat" rivalries, Laurel and Hardy transformed film comedy from the silent era through the dawn of talkies.

In this six-part presentation, we will explore six of their finest film masterpieces. Beyond the laughter, we will go behind the scenes to uncover how these two comedic legends crafted their classic routines at the famous Hal Roach Studios, their unique on-screen chemistry, and the memorable cast of supporting characters—including fan-favorite "nemeses" like Charlie Hall and James Finlayson—who made their cinematic world so unforgettable.

6 Mondays, November 2-December 7

Time: 1:00-2:30 pm

Presenter: Bill Stevens

Course Fee: \$30.00

Weimar Germany and the Rise of Nazism

How did a modern, democratic Germany become a dictatorship under Adolf Hitler? This lecture explores the turbulent years of the Weimar Republic, from its creation following World War I through its collapse in 1933. We will examine the political, economic, and social forces that weakened Germany's young democracy, including the impact of the Treaty of Versailles, hyperinflation, the Great Depression, political extremism, and growing public distrust of democratic institutions.

This presentation offers historical perspective on one of the most consequential political transformations of the 20th century—and an opportunity to consider what the history of the Weimar Republic can teach us about democracy, authoritarianism, and political extremism today. (November 9 is known in Germany as *Schicksalstag* (Day of Destiny or Day of Fate))

Wednesday, November 11

Time: 2:00-3:30 pm

Presenter: Peter Staudenmaier, Associate Professor History, Marquette University

Course Fee: \$10.00

Advance Care Planning

Advance care planning is a process of understanding, reflecting on, and discussing future medical decisions regardless of age and current health status. All adults (18 and older) should think about, discuss and create an advance care plan. Having an advance care plan is truly a gift for yourself and others. Note: Advance Directive forms will be provided but will NOT be completed during the session. Information on where and how to complete this document will be covered during discussion.

Monday, December 7

Time: 11:00 am – Noon

Presenter: Melissa Thomas, BSN, RN

Course Fee: Free to CFE Members